



Preschool Programs: Ages 4-5

Join our compassionate and enthusiastic staff in exploring the outdoors using a variety of hands-on and sensory activities. Campers ages four and five will come to learn more about their role in the outdoors while strengthening their motor, social, and observational skills. Every week there will be a walking field trip.

Doodle Bugs *NEW

- Observe natural beauty
- Track adventures in doodle bug journals
- Create art from nature materials

Treetop Explorers

- Explore a forest habitat
- What makes a tree?
- Discover a variety of leaves

Salmon Snoopers

- Learn about the five types of salmon
- Create a salmon art project
- Explore the salmon life cycle

Deep Sea Safari

- Investigate water habitats
- Learn about animals that live in the sea
- Create an ocean project

Bug Buddies- NEW

- Identify different types of insects
- Go on a bug hunt
- Invent your own bug

Out of this world- NEW

- Discover what is in the solar system
- Create your own planet
- Explore the stars

T-Rex Times- NEW

- How tall was a T-Rex?
- Create a dinosaur
- Explore geological timeline

Flying Friends *NEW

- What is a raptor?
- Find feathered friends in their natural habitat
- Enjoy a visit from Bird TLC

Aqua Mania *NEW

- Learn the water cycle boogie
- Explore the creek and salmon life cycle
- Experience the power of water

Outdoor Detective

- Dissect a rotting log and discover it's mysteries
- Unlock the secrets held within the forest
- Unearth Leave No Trace Principles

Outdoor Power

- Petals, leaves & everything in between
- Explorer the outdoors
- Use your super powers to make the outdoors a better place

Rock Stars

- Erupt with joy when you make your own volcano
- Find the rock of your dreams
- Have a rockin' time learning about geology

Musical Munchkins *NEW

- Explore the sounds of the forests
- Create your own musical notes
- Make your own nature instrument



Day Program Ages: 6-7

Join our enthusiastic instructors in our day programs focusing on environmental concepts including ecology, geology, agriculture, bugs, and outdoor survival skills. Your camper will get the opportunity to take part in hands-on lessons, activities, and games that encourage positive interactions with the outdoors! Campers will spend their time exploring the beautiful trails around the science center, visiting the Campbell Creek, and learning about Alaskan wildlife safety. Every week there will be a walking field trip.

Outdoor Orchestra *NEW

- Appreciate the sounds of nature
- You'll be blown away by the world of woodwinds
- Create your own instrument
- Band together and perform a masterpiece

Full S.T.E.A.M Ahead

- Explore components of S.T.E.A.M
- Take part on challenging, hands-on activities
- Use math and science to make an art project

Geology Rocks!

- Travel in a geological time machine
- Identify different types of rocks
- Become best friends with a pet rock

Wind, Water, Weather

- Learn about the water cycle
- Explore weather patterns and their impact
- Create wind chimes

Blast Off

- Explore our solar system
- Make your own constellation
- Phases of the Moon

S.U.R.V.I.V.A.L *NEW

- Create your own shelter
- Learn the S.U.R.V.I.V.A.L steps
- Learn first aid in the wilderness

Feathers, Bones & beaks *NEW

- Discover how birds can fly!
- Go on a bird hike
- Make a bird craft

Knock Knock, whoo lives here? *NEW

- Dissect an owl pellet
- How far can owls turn their heads
- Learn various habitats

Seeds to Fireweed *NEW

- Discover what plants need to grow!
- Learn the flower life cycle
- Make your own flower

Wildlife Wildin' *NEW

- What wildlife are unique to Alaska?
- Identify parts of animals
- Explore habitats

Woodland Wizards

- Identify trees around camp
- Search high and low for forest creatures
- Why are trees useful?

Paws & Claws *NEW

- Search for signs of wildlife
- Identify animal tracks
- What makes a mammal?

Dino Days

- Identify different types of dinos
- Become a junior Paleontologist
- Make your own fossil

Jammin' with Salmon *NEW

- Be apart of a Salmon dissection
- Learn the salmon cycle
- Observe salmon in their natural habitat

Earth, Fire & Ice

- Alaskan topography
- What makes a mountain?
- Learn about plate tectonic



Day Programs: Ages 8-9

Knowledgeable and engaging instructors lead day programs focusing on environmental concepts. Campers will take part in hands-on lessons, activities, and games that explore topics in depth.

Mission: Space

- Visit a local planetarium
- Explore our solar system
- Stars and constellations

Animal Kingdom

- Visit the AK Wildlife Conservation Center or Zoo
- Characteristics of types of animals
- Animal and human relationships

Picture Perfect

- Capture your surroundings
- Explore types of photography
- Slideshow presentation at the end of the week

Rivers, Lakes & Streams

- Visit two bodies of water
- Recreate the water cycle
- Learn about aquatic animals

Farm to Feast *NEW

- Visit a local food production site
- Learn about seeds, soil and compost
- Map your snack!

Artventure *NEW

- Use materials found in nature to create projects
- Sketch across the Anchorage bowl
- Create a group masterpiece

Ocean Commotion *NEW

- Go with the flow as you learn about current & tides
- Have an encounter with the ocean
- Explore environment & ecology

Marine Magic

- Whale tales and marine life encounters
- Take a trip to seaward
- Explore human impact on marine life

Salmon Scientists *NEW

- Visit the Salmon hatchery
- Dissect a salmon
- Explore Alaskans use of Salmon

Ready, Set, Cook

- Discover how to cook in the outdoors
- Practice different culinary skills
- Explore Alaskan ingredients



Day Programs Ages 10-14

Our knowledgeable, enthusiastic, and charismatic instructors are excited for campers to join them as they explore their natural surroundings. Instructors will focus on conveying their knowledge through group activities, games, team building and hands on lessons. Instructional techniques include experiential learning in a natural environment to promote lifelong learning.

Arctic Artist

- Sand art, beading, and leaf collages
- Create Alaskan clay pottery
- Explore your artistic side with nature

Ready, Set, Cook

- Discover how to cook in the outdoors
- Practice different culinary skills
- Explore Alaskan ingredients

Behind the lense *NEW

- Learn landscape & macro techniques
- Practice the rule of thirds
- Take stellar photos of the great Alaskan outdoors

Capture Alaska

- Learn basic skills of photography
- Photograph various outdoor locations
- Present your art

Glacier Getaway *NEW

- Visit a real life glacier
- Learn the difference between glacier and ice fields
- Create your own glacier

Space Odyssey /Worlds Away *NEW

- What are the possibilities that we are not alone
- How is earth livable and others aren't?
- Create your own solar system.

M.A.S.T.E.R

- Be creative with masks
- Learn about salmon
- Together be a team to complete challenges
- Launch rockets and explore energy

S.'M.O.R.E

- Learn about Astronauts
- Mask creation
- Orienteer around local trails
- Launch a rocket
- Explore local trails



High Adventure Programs

High Adventure program focus on activities that get your campers moving, learning and stepping outside of their comfort zone to test their limits. Campers can complete these sessions more than once to keep enhancing their skills and understanding.

2 Week Programs:

Land vs Water

- Gain the knowledge and skills it takes to catch a fish
- Try kayaking, canoeing and paddle boarding
- Hike trails
- Explore the single tracks of Anchorage
- Outdoor skills

Explorers

- Hike trails
- Archery skills
- Try kayaking, canoeing and paddle boarding
- Outdoor Cooking
- Outdoor Skills
- Geocaching

FABB

- Gain the knowledge and skills it takes to catch a fish
- Try archery
- Try kayaking, canoeing and paddle boarding
- Explore the single tracks of Anchorage

Xtreme AK

- Try kayaking, canoeing and paddle boarding
- Outdoor skills and cooking
- Hike trails
- Explore the single tracks of Anchorage
- Try archery

Land & Water Stewards

- Try kayaking, canoeing and paddle boarding
- Water Safety
- Leave no trace principles
- Explore the single tracks of Anchorage
- Hike trails

Alaska Adventure

- Gain the knowledge and skills it takes to catch a fish
- Try kayaking, canoeing and paddle boarding
- Water Safety
- Leave no trace principles
- Explore the single tracks of Anchorage
- Hike trails

Ride & Rescue

- Learn Wilderness First Aid Skills
- Practice Rescue Missions
- Try kayaking, canoeing and paddle boarding
- Explore the single tracks of Anchorage



1 Week High Adventure Programs

Venture Bound Earth:

- Try archery
- Learn range etiquette
- Explore the single tracks of Anchorage
- Learn how to fix your own bike

Venture Bound Water:

- Try kayaking, canoeing and paddle boarding
- Gain the knowledge and skills it takes to catch a fish
- Learn water safety
- Hike around a local lake

Explorers Land:

- Learn geocaching skills
- Hike local trails
- Explorer outdoor cooking
- Learn outdoor skills

Boat & Rescue

- Learn some Wilderness First Aid skills
- Try kayaking, canoeing and paddle boarding
- Hike local trails

B.A.C.K

- Explore the single tracks of Anchorage
- Try some creative art challenges
- Cook some delicious snacks
- Have a Kickball championship

Backcountry Chefs

- Hike local trails
- Explore the single tracks of Anchorage
- Learn outdoor cooking skills
- Have a cook off
- Learn camping skills

Trail Explorers

- Hike trails
- Learn to fix your own bike
- Engage in trail safety & etiquette
- Navigate your own hike

Paddle "Reel" Mania

- Water safety instruction
- Gain the knowledge and skills it takes to catch a fish
- Try out canoeing, kayaking and/or paddle boarding

Explorers: Biking vs Boating

- Explore the single tracks of Anchorage
- Learn to fix your own bike
- Try out canoeing, kayaking and/or paddle boarding

Trail Riders I **Bring your own bike*

- Explore the single tracks of Anchorage
- Learn to fix your own bike
- Engage in trail safety & etiquette
- Ride based on skill level with Trail Riders II

Summit Seekers

- Summit local mountains
- Orienteering, map reading & GPS skills
- Learn about local geology

Paddle Mania

- Water safety instruction
- Visit a local lake and participate in water activities
- Try out canoeing, kayaking and/or paddle boarding

Mountain Masters

- Advance your shelter building skills
- Spend a day climbing off-site
- Learn about survival tools

Xtreme AK

- Shoot a compound and recurve bow
- Hit the trails on a bike ride (bring your own or use our Fat Tire Bikes)
- Go climbing!



Trail Riders II **Bring your own bike*

- Learn advanced mountain biking skills
- Build new levels of confidence on single tracks
- Ride based on skill level with Trail Riders I

Mountain Rangers

- Hike Alaska's favorite ranges
- Complete a navigational challenge
- Learn about survival in the wilderness

Fat Tire Bike **fat tire bikes provided*

- Explore trails on a 9:zero:7 fat tire bike
- Build up confidence
- Learn uses for fat tire bikes

Explorers: Water

- Stand-up paddle board, kayak, and canoe!
- Learn paddling skills for various different boats
- Practice water safety & outdoor adventure spirit

Fish On

- Fish at local fishing areas
- Learn and master knots used by Alaskan fisherman
- Gain the knowledge and skills it takes to catch a fish

Trail Riders III **Bring your own bike*

- Learn advanced mountain biking skills
- Build new levels of confidence on single tracks
- Ride based on skill level with Trail Riders II

Fat Tire Bike **fat tire bikes provided*

- Explore trails on a 9:zero:7 fat tire bike
- Build up confidence
- Learn uses for fat tire bikes

Reel Aqua

- Get out boating and test your skills
- Fishing techniques and strategies
- Check out Campbell Creek and their salmon

Venture Bound: Water

- Stand-up paddle board, kayak, and canoe!
- Learn paddling skills for various different boats
- Practice water safety & outdoor adventure spirit

Venture Bound: Earth

- Fat Tire Bike (we provide), hike, and explore!
- Learn navigational skills
- Make your own choice on what to do!

Teacher Naturalist in Training (Ages 14-16)

This program was designed to be an educational leadership program for mature campers who are interested in working in Environmental Education or related fields.

During the Teen Naturalist in Training (or T.N.T.) program, campers will learn about the roles and responsibilities of an environmental instructor, behavior management, lesson planning and instruction, and developmentally appropriate practices. They will also put these skills into practice by leading games and lessons throughout the week with children ages four through seven. Campers are then given the opportunity to continue to hone skills by returning for subsequent weeks of volunteering to work with campers.